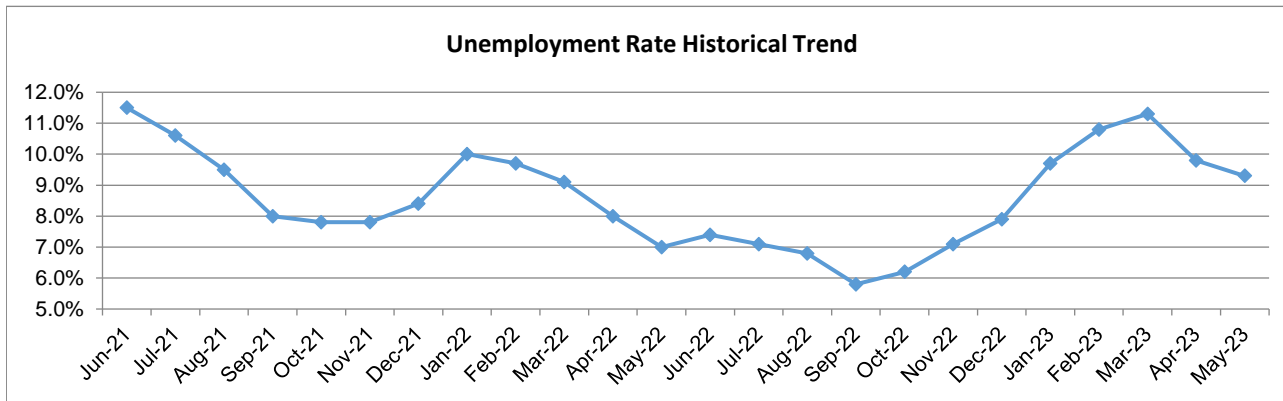


IMMEDIATE RELEASE
MERCED METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
(Merced County)

The unemployment rate in the Merced County was 9.3 percent in May 2023, down from a revised 9.8 percent in April 2023, and above the year-ago estimate of 7.0 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 4.5 percent for California and 3.4 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Apr-2023	May-2023	Change		May-2022	May-2023	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	85,000	86,500	1,500		86,400	86,500	100
Total Farm	12,600	14,200	1,600		14,900	14,200	(700)
Total Nonfarm	72,400	72,300	(100)		71,500	72,300	800
Mining, Logging and Construction	3,300	3,300	0		3,400	3,300	(100)
Manufacturing	10,200	10,300	100		9,200	10,300	1,100
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	13,000	13,100	100		14,100	13,100	(1,000)
Information	200	200	0		300	200	(100)
Financial Activities	1,900	1,900	0		1,900	1,900	0
Professional and Business Services	3,900	3,900	0		3,800	3,900	100
Private Education and Health Services	11,400	11,500	100		10,900	11,500	600
Leisure and Hospitality	7,200	7,300	100		7,000	7,300	300
Other Services	1,700	1,700	0		1,700	1,700	0
Government	19,600	19,100	(500)		19,200	19,100	(100)

Notes: Data not adjusted for seasonality. Data may not add due to rounding
Labor force data are revised month to month
Additional data are available on line at www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov

Merced MSA
(Merced County)
Industry Employment & Labor Force
March 2022 Benchmark

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	May 22	Mar 23	Apr 23 Revised	May 23 Prelim	Percent Change Month Year	
Civilian Labor Force (1)	115,500	118,200	116,700	116,700	0.0%	1.0%
Civilian Employment	107,400	104,800	105,300	105,800	0.5%	-1.5%
Civilian Unemployment	8,000	13,300	11,400	10,800	-5.3%	35.0%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	7.0%	11.3%	9.8%	9.3%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	3.7%	4.8%	4.3%	4.5%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	3.4%	3.6%	3.1%	3.4%		
Total, All Industries (2)	86,400	83,000	85,000	86,500	1.8%	0.1%
Total Farm	14,900	11,600	12,600	14,200	12.7%	-4.7%
Total Nonfarm	71,500	71,400	72,400	72,300	-0.1%	1.1%
Total Private	52,300	52,300	52,800	53,200	0.8%	1.7%
Goods Producing	12,600	13,400	13,500	13,600	0.7%	7.9%
Mining, Logging and Construction	3,400	3,200	3,300	3,300	0.0%	-2.9%
Manufacturing	9,200	10,200	10,200	10,300	1.0%	12.0%
Non-Durable Goods	7,500	8,400	8,400	8,500	1.2%	13.3%
Service-Providing	58,900	58,000	58,900	58,700	-0.3%	-0.3%
Private Service Providing	39,700	38,900	39,300	39,600	0.8%	-0.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	14,100	12,900	13,000	13,100	0.8%	-7.1%
Wholesale Trade	2,000	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0%	-20.0%
Retail Trade	8,800	8,100	8,200	8,200	0.0%	-6.8%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	3,300	3,200	3,200	3,300	3.1%	0.0%
Information	300	200	200	200	0.0%	-33.3%
Financial Activities	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,900	0.0%	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	3,800	3,800	3,900	3,900	0.0%	2.6%
Private Education and Health Services	10,900	11,300	11,400	11,500	0.9%	5.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	7,000	7,100	7,200	7,300	1.4%	4.3%
Other Services	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.0%	0.0%
Government	19,200	19,100	19,600	19,100	-2.6%	-0.5%
Federal Government	700	700	700	700	0.0%	0.0%
Total State and Local Government	18,500	18,400	18,900	18,400	-2.6%	-0.5%
State Government	3,100	2,800	2,800	2,800	0.0%	-9.7%
State Government Educational Services	2,400	2,100	2,100	2,100	0.0%	-12.5%
State Government Excluding Education	700	700	700	700	0.0%	0.0%
Local Government	15,400	15,600	16,100	15,600	-3.1%	1.3%
Local Government excluding Educational Serv	4,100	4,200	4,000	4,100	2.5%	0.0%
Special Districts plus Tribes	600	600	600	600	0.0%	0.0%

Notes:

(1) Civilian labor force data are by place of residence; include self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike. Data may not add due to rounding. The unemployment rate is calculated using unrounded data.

(2) Industry employment is by place of work; excludes self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike. Data may not add due to rounding.

These data are produced by the Labor Market Information Division of the California Employment Development Department (EDD). Questions should be directed to: Steven Gutierrez 559-230-4102 or N/A 951-955-3204

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